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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Reissue Application of CHRISTIAN OLDENDORF, FRANZ-JOSEF  
MELCHER, AND CHRISTOPH BERG  
ELECTRIC BALANCE FOR CORRECTING MISLOADING THEREOF  
Our Ref: Q64288

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Reissue Application of U.S. Patent No. 5,902,965 issued on May 11, 1999 by CHRISTIAN OLDENDORF, FRANZ-JOSEF MELCHER, AND CHRISTOPH BERG entitled ELECTRIC BALANCE FOR CORRECTING MISLOADING THEREOF. The Reissue Application is attached hereto, and comprises a clean copy of the printed patent, including the specification, claim, and drawings.

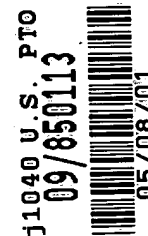
Also attached is an executed Reissue Declaration and Power of Attorney, an Offer to Surrender Letters Patent, a Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), a Written Consent Of All Assignees, an Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and 1.98 with copies of the citations, and a copy of the Terminal Disclaimer filed in parent Application No. 09/019,712.

Priority is claimed from March 5, 1994 based on German Patent Application No. DE 44 07 433. The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/019,712.

A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith adding 12 new claims. Also submitted herewith is an Explanation Of The Support In The Disclosure Of The Patent In Accordance With 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(c) for these new claims.

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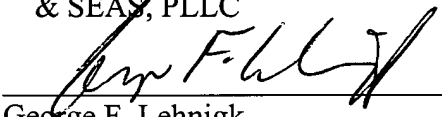
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Respectfully submitted,


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<p>This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.</p>		
Name of Patentee(s) Christian Oldendorf, Franz-Josef Melcher and Christoph Berg		
Patent Number 5,902,965	Date Patent Issued May 11, 1999	
Title of Invention Electric Balance For Correcting Misloading Thereof		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.</p> <p>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".</p> <p>The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.</p>		
<p>The assignee(s) owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are <u>Sartorius AG</u>, and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.</p>		
Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned) Sartorius AG		
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**Attorney Docket No. Q64288**

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In re Reissue Application of

Christian Oldendorf, Franz-Josef Melcher, and Christoph Berg

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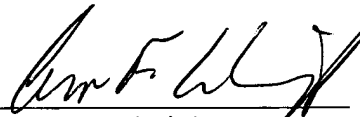
**OFFER TO SURRENDER LETTERS PATENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.178**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby offers to surrender U.S. Patent No. 5,902,965 to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), upon the Examiner allowing the claims in the above-identified Reissue Application.

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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)**Applicant: CHRISTIAN OLDENDORF, FRANZ-JOSEF MELCHER, AND CHRISTOPH BERGApplication No. U.S. Pat. No. 5,902,965 Issued May 11, 1999Entitled: ELECTRIC BALANCE FOR CORRECTING MISLOADING THEREOFSartorius AG

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**EXPLANATION OF THE SUPPORT IN THE DISCLOSURE OF THE PATENT IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(C)**

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(c), Applicants are submitting the following explanation of the support in the disclosure of U.S. Patent No. 5,902,965 for claims 2-13 submitted with the Preliminary Amendment herewith.

<b>Claim</b>	<b>Explanation Of Support In '965 Patent</b>
2. (New) An electronic balance for mixing a plurality of components according to a formula, comprising:	E.g., column 1, line 62 to column 2, line 24; Figs. 1-3.
a weighing container, which receives the components to be mixed;	E.g., Fig. 2, reference numeral 3.
an electronic evaluation unit, including a recalculation mode for calculation of a quantity to be added for a component in the formula based on an overfill of a quantity of another component in the formula;	E.g., column 3, line 11 to column 4, line 34; Fig. 2, items 18, 27, and 29.
a display that displays a value of a quantity of a component presently added to the weighing container; and	E.g., Fig. 1, reference numeral 19.

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a key that when operated decrements the displayed value of the quantity of the presently added component.	E.g., Fig. 1, reference numeral 25.
3. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 2, wherein the recalculation mode calculates a supplemental quantity to be added to an existing quantity of a previously added component, the supplemental quantity being necessitated by an overfill quantity of the presently added component, and wherein the key is operated to decrement the displayed value of the quantity of the presently added component by the overfill quantity of the presently added component.	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.
4. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 3, wherein, the recalculation mode calculates the required supplemental quantity to be added to the existing quantity of the previously added component based on the overfill quantity of the presently added component as determined by the operation of the key to decrement the displayed value by the overfill quantity of the presently added component	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.
5. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 2, wherein the recalculation mode calculates a required adjustment to a quantity of a component to be subsequently added as a result of an overfill quantity of a presently added component, and wherein the key is operated to decrement the displayed value of the quantity of the presently added component by the overfill quantity of the presently added component.	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.
6. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 5, wherein the recalculation	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.

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mode calculates a supplemental quantity to be added to an existing quantity of a previously added component, based on the overfill quantity of the presently added component as determined by the operation of the key to decrement the displayed value by the overfill quantity of the presently added component.	
7. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 2, wherein the recalculation mode is based on a relationship: $m_{1\text{ new}}/m_{1\text{ formula}} = m_{2\text{ actual}}/m_{2\text{ formula}},$ wherein $m_{1\text{ formula}}$ is a formula weight of a first component; $m_{1\text{ new}}$ is a recalculated weight of the first component based on an overfill quantity of a second component in the formula; $m_{2\text{ formula}}$ is a formula weight of the second component; and $m_{2\text{ actual}}$ is the formula weight of the second component plus the overfill weight of the second component.	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.
8. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 2, wherein the weighing container is a platform.	E.g., Fig. 2, reference numeral 3.
9. (New) The electronic balance according to Claim 2, further comprising: a first electronic storage memory for a weight of a first component in the weighing container, and a second electronic storage memory for a weight of a second component in the weighing container.	E.g., Fig. 2, reference numerals 27 and 29.
10. (New) A method of mixing a plurality of components according to a formula	E.g., column 1, line 62 to column 2, lines 24; Figs. 1-3.



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using an electronic balance having a surface and that displays a value of a quantity of a presently added component, comprising:	
adding a quantity of a first component to the surface according to a formula value for the first component; and	E.g., column 3, line 25-33.
adding a quantity of a second component to the surface according to a formula value for the second component; and	E.g., column 3, line 34-36.
when the step of adding the quantity of the second component results in an overflow of the second component, operating a key to decrement a displayed value of the quantity of the second component to the formula value for the second component; and	E.g., column 3, line 44-52.
activating an electronic evaluation unit in the scale to calculate a value for an additional quantity of the first component required to establish an actual proportion between the first and second components the same as a proportion between the first and second components in the formula.	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.
11. (New) A method of mixing quantities of a plurality of components according to a formula using an electronic balance having a surface and that displays a value of a quantity of a presently added component, comprising:	E.g., column 1, line 62 to column 2, lines 24; Figs. 1-3.
adding a quantity of one of the components to the surface according to a formula value for the one component; and	E.g., column 3, line 25-33.
when the step of adding the quantity of the one component results in an overflow of the	E.g., column 3, line 44 to column 4, line 34. See, also, abstract.

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one component, operating a key to decrement a displayed value of the quantity of the one component to the formula value for the one component; and activating an electronic evaluation unit in the scale to calculate a value for the quantity of the a further component required to establish an actual proportion of the quantities between the one component and the further component the same as a proportion between the quantities of the one component and the further component in the formula.	
12. (New) An electronic balance for weighing out quantities of ingredients based upon a recipe of ingredients, comprising;	E.g., column 1, line 62 to column 2, lines 24; Figs. 1-3.
an ingredient weighing container positioned on the balance;	E.g., Fig. 2, reference numeral 3.
electronic storage memory for the weight of a first ingredient in the weighing container; electronic storage memory for the weight of a second ingredient in the weighing container;	E.g., Fig. 2, reference numerals 27 and 29.
means to determine a ratio of the weights of the ingredients called for in the recipe; and	E.g., column 3, line 11 to column 4, line 34; Fig. 2, items 18, 27, and 29.
display means to show an amount of the first ingredient needed to establish the ratio	E.g., Fig. 1, reference numeral 19
13. (New) An electronic balance for weighing out quantities of ingredients based upon a recipe of ingredients, comprising;	E.g., column 1, line 62 to column 2, lines 24; Figs. 1-3.
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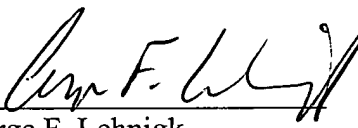
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electronic storage memory for the weight of a first ingredient in the weighing container; electronic storage memory for the weight of a second ingredient in the weighing container;	E.g., Fig. 2, reference numerals 27 and 29.
electronics that determine a ratio of the weights of the ingredients called for in the recipe; and	E.g., column 3, line 11 to column 4, line 34; Fig. 2, items 18, 27, and 29
a display that shows an amount of the first ingredient needed to establish the ratio.	E.g., Fig. 1, reference numeral 19

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